U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

4743. A letter from the Chief, Regulations Unit, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final rule—The May Department Stores Co. v. United States [Citation: 36 Fed. Cl. 680 (1996)] received August 4, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

4744. A letter from the Chief, Regulations Unit, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final rule-Last-in, First-out Inventories [Rev. Rul. 97-32] received August 4, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

4745. A letter from the Chief, Regulations Unit, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final rule-Procedure for Changing a Method of Accounting under Section 263A (RIN: 1545-AQ94) received August 4, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the

Committee on Ways and Means.

4746. A letter from the Chief, Regulations Unit, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final rule-Weighted Average Interest Rate Update [Notice 97-44] received August 4, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

4747. A letter from the Chief, Regulations Unit, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final rule—Highly Compensated Employee Definition [Notice 97-45] received August 4, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

4748. A letter from the Chief, Regulations Unit, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final rule-Remedial Amendment Period (RIN: 1545-AV23) received August 13, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

4749. A letter from the Chief, Regulations Unit, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final rule-Allocations of Deprication Recapture among Partners in a Partnership (RIN: 1545-AT32) received August 19, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

4750. A letter from the Chief, Regulations Unit, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final rule-Medical Savings Accounts [Announcement 97-79] received August 15, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

4751. A letter from the Chief, Regulations Unit, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final rule-Reduction in Certain Deductions of Mutual Life Insurance Companies [Rev. Rul. 97-35] received August 15, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

4752. A letter from the Chief, Regulations Unit, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final rule-Designated Private Delivery Services [Notice 97-50] received August 29, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

4753. A letter from the Chief, Regulations Unit, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final rule-Low-Income Housing Credit [Revenue Ruling 97-34] received August 25, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

4754. A letter from the Chief, Regulations Unit, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final rule-Electing Small Business Trusts [Notice 97-49] received August 25, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

4755. A letter from the Chief, Regulations Unit, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final rule—Taxation of fringe benefits [Revenue Ruling 97-33] received August 25, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

4756. A letter from the Chief, Regulations Unit, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final rule—Rules for Property Produced in a Farming Business [TD 8729] (RIN: 1545-AV37) received August 25, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Com-

mittee on Ways and Means.
4757. A letter from the National Director. Tax Forms and Publications Division, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final rule—Filing Information Returns Magnetically/Electronically [Rev. Proc. 97-34] received August 25, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

4758. A letter from the Chief, Regulations Branch, United States Customs Service, transmitting the Service's final rule-Country of Origin Marking [T.D. 97-72] (RIN: 1515-AB82) received August 19, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

4759. A communication from the President of the United States, transmitting the Annual Report to the Congress on Foreign Economic Collection and Industrial Espionage, pursuant to Public Law 103-359, section 809(b) (108 Stat. 3454); to the Committee on Intelligence (Permanent Select).

4760. A letter from the Chairman, Federal Trade Commission, transmitting the eightysecond Annual Report of the Federal Trade Commission, pursuant to 47 U.S.C. 154(k); jointly to the Committees on Commerce and the Judiciary.

¶93.3 MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

A message from the Senate by Mr. Lundregan, one of its clerks, announced that the Senate had passed with an amendment in which the concurrence of the House is requested, a bill of the House of the following title:

H.R. 2160. An Act making appropriations for Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies programs for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1998, and for other purposes.

The message also announced that the Senate insists upon its amendment to the bill (H.R. 2160) "An Act making appropriations for Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies programs for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1998, and for other purposes," requests a conference with the House on the disagreeing votes of the two Houses thereon, and appoints Mr. COCHRAN, Mr. SPECTER, Mr. BOND, Mr. GORTON, Mr. McConnell, Mr. Burns, Mr. Stevens, Mr. Bumpers. Mr. Harkin. Mr. Kohl. Mr. BYRD, Mr. LEAHY, and Mr. INOUYE, to be the conferees on the part of the Senate.

The message also announced that the Senate has passed bills of the following titles in which the concurrence of the House is requested:

S. 797. An Act to amend the John F. Kennedy Center Act to authorize the design and construction of additions to the parking garage and certain site improvements, and for other purposes;

S. 910. An Act to authorize appropriations for carrying out the Earthquake Hazards Reduction Act of 1977 for fiscal years 1998 and 1999, and for other purposes;

S. 996. An Act to provide for the authorization of appropriations in each fiscal year for arbitration in United States district courts;

S. 1120. An Act to provide for a consultant for the President pro tempore.

The message also announced that pursuant to Public Law 94-304, as amended by Public Law 99-7, the Chair, on behalf of the Vice President, appoints the following Senators to the Commission on Security and Cooperation in Europe-the Senator from Wisconsin [Mr. FEINGOLD], the Senator from Florida [Mr. GRAHAM], the Senator from New Jersey [Mr. LAUTEN-BERG], and the Senator from Nevada [Mr. REID].

The message also announced that pursuant to Public Law 94-304, as amended by Public Law 99-7, the Chair, on behalf of the Vice President, appoints the following Senators to the Commission on Security and Cooperation in Europe—the Senator from Montana [Mr. BURNS], the Senator from Colorado [Mr. CAMPBELL], the Senator from Maine [Ms. SNOWE], and the Senator from Michigan [Mr. ABRAHAM].

¶93.4 COMMUNICATION FROM THE

CLERK—MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

The SPEAKER laid before the House a communication, which was read as follows:

U.S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, OFFICE OF THE CLERK, Washington, DC, August 1, 1997.

Hon. NEWT GINGRICH,

Speaker, U.S. House of Representatives, Washington, DC.

DEAR MR. SPEAKER: Pursuant to the permission granted to Clause 5 of Rule III of the Rules of the U.S. House of Representatives, the Clerk received the following message from the Secretary of the Senate on Friday, August 1, 1997 at 12:00 p.m.: that the Senate passed without amendment H.R. 584, that the Senate passed without amendment H.R. 1198. that the Senate passed without amendment H.R. 1944.

With warm regards,

ROBIN H CARLE ${\it Clerk,\ U.S.\ House\ of\ Representatives.}$

¶93.5 ENROLLED BILLS SIGNED

The SPEAKER announced that pursuant to clause 4, rule I, he signed the following enrolled bills on Friday, August 1, 1997:

H.R. 408. An Act to amend the Marine Mammal Protection Act of 1972 to support the International Dolphin Conservation Program in the eastern tropical pacific ocean, and for other purposes.

H.R. 584. An Act for the relief of John Wesley Davis.

H.R. 1198. An Act to direct the Secretary of the Interior to convey certain land to the city of Grants Pass, Oregon.

H.R. 1585. An Act to allow postal patrons to contribute to funding for breast cancer research through the voluntary purchase of certain specially issued United States postage stamps, and for other purposes.

H.R. 1944. An Act to provide for a land exchange involving the Warner Canyon ski area and other land in the State of Oregon.

H.R. 2014. An Act to provide for reconciliation pursuant to subsections (b)(2) and (d) of section 105 of the concurrent resolution on the budget for fiscal year 1998.

H.R. 2015. An Act to provide for reconciliation pursuant to subsections (b)(1) and (c) of section 105 of the concurrent resolution on the budget for fiscal year 1998.

¶93.6 50TH ANNIVERSARY OF INDEPENDENCE FOR INDIA AND

The SPEAKER, pursuant to the provisions of House Resolution 157 and the order of the House of Thursday, July 31, 1997, announced the appointment of the following Members of the House as members of the delegation attending the 50th anniversary of the independence of India and Pakistan: Messrs. GILMAN, ACKERMAN, HASTINGS of Florida, ENGEL, and FALEOMAVAEGA.

¶93.7 DESIGNATION OF DEPUTY CLERK OF THE HOUSE

The SPEAKER laid before the House a communication, which was read as follows:

> HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, OFFICE OF THE CLERK,

Washington, DC, August 1, 1997. Hon. NEWT GINGRICH,

Speaker, House of Representatives, Washington, DC.

DEAR MR. SPEAKER: Under Clause 4 of Rule III of the Rules of the U.S. House of Representatives, I herewith designate Mr. Jeff Trandahl, Deputy Clerk, along with Ms. Julie Perrier, Assistant Clerk and Mr. Ray Strong, Assistant Clerk, to sign any and all papers and do all other acts for me under the name of the Clerk of the House which they would be authorized to do by virtue of this designation, except such as are provided by statute, in case of my temporary absence or disability.

This designation shall remain in effect for the 105th Congress or until modified by me. Sincerely yours,

ROBIN H. CARLE, Clerk, House of Representatives.

 $\P 93.8$ RESIGNATION AS MEMBER OF HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

The SPEAKER laid before the House the following communication, which was read as follows:

> HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, Washington, DC, August 4, 1997.

Hon. NEWT GINGRICH,

Speaker of the House, The Capitol, H-232, Washington, DC.

DEAR MR. SPEAKER: This missive comes as an official announcement of my resignation from the U.S. House of Representatives, effective October 15, 1997.

My duties and responsibilities as pastor of the Allen A.M.E. Church in Jamaica, New York, has grown to such a level that I am needed there on a more consistent basis. I have enjoyed the opportunities that you have given me to converse with you regarding my ideas for community, educational, and economic development. I hope that my leaving does not preclude our ability to, in some way, continue these discussions in the future.

With warmest regards, I am Sincerely,

FLOYD H. FLAKE, Member of Congress.

¶93.9 COMMUNICATION FROM THE CLERK—MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

The SPEAKER laid before the House a communication, which was read as follows:

OFFICE OF THE CLERK, HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, Washington, DC, August 11, 1997.

Hon. NEWT GINGRICH, Speaker, House of Representatives, Washington, DC.

DEAR MR. SPEAKER: Pursuant to the permission granted in Clause 5 of Rule III of the Rules of the U.S. House of Representatives. I have the honor to transmit correspondence received from the White House on August 11, 1997 at 3:12 p.m. and said to contain a message from the President pursuant to the Line Item Veto Act (P.L. 104-130) transmitting one cancellation with respect to the Balanced Budget Act of 1997 (P.L. 105-33).

With warm regards,

ROBIN H. CARLE. Clerk, House of Representatives.

¶93.10 CANCELLATION PURSUANT TO LINE ITEM VETO ACT-H.R. 2015

The Clerk then read the message from the President, as follows:

THE WHITE HOUSE, Washington, August 11, 1997. Hon. NEWT GINGRICH,

Speaker of the House of Representatives, Washington, DC.

DEAR MR. SPEAKER: In accordance with the Line Item Veto Act, I hereby cancel one item of new direct spending, as specified in the attached report, contained in the "Balanced Budget Act of 1997'' (Public Law 105-33; H.R. 2015). I have determined that this cancellation will reduce the Federal budget deficit, will not impair any essential Government functions, and will not harm the national interest. This letter, together with its attachment, constitutes a special message under section 1022 of the Congressional Budget and Impoundment Control Act of 1974, as amended. Sincerely,

WILLIAM J. CLINTON.

Pursuant to the section 1025(a) of the Congressional Budget and Impoundment Control Act of 1974, the message, together with the accompanying papers, was referred to the Committee on the Budget and the Committee on Commerce and ordered to be printed (H. Doc. 105-115).

¶93.11 COMMUNICATION FROM THE CLERK—MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

The SPEAKER laid before the House a communication, which was read as follows:

OFFICE OF THE CLERK, HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, Washington, DC, August 11, 1997. Hon. NEWT GINGRICH,

The Speaker, House of Representatives, Washington, DC.

DEAR MR. SPEAKER: Pursuant to the permission granted in Clause 5 of Rule III of the Rules of the U.S. House of Representatives, I have the honor to transmit correspondence received from the White House on August 11, 1997 at 3:12 p.m. and said to contain a message from the President pursuant to the Line Item Veto Act (P.L. 104-130) transmitting two cancellations with respect to the Taxpayer Relief Act of 1997 (P.L. 105-34).

With warm regards,

ROBIN H. CARLE, Clerk, House of Representatives. ¶93.12 CANCELLATION PURSUANT TO LINE ITEM VETO ACT-H.R. 2014

The Clerk then read the message from the President, as follows:

THE WHITE HOUSE,

Washington, August 11, 1997.

Hon. NEWT GINGRICH,

Speaker of the House of Representatives, Washington, DC.

DEAR MR. SPEAKER: In accordance with the Line Item Veto Act, I hereby cancel two limited tax benefits, as specified in the attached reports, contained in the "Taxpayer Relief Act of 1997'' (Public Law 105-34; H.R. 2014). I have determined that each of these cancellations will reduce the Federal budget deficit, will not impair any essential Government functions, and will not harm the national interest. This letter, together with its attachments, constitutes a special message under section 1022 of the Congressional Budget and Impoundment Control Act of 1974, as amended.

Sincerely,

WILLIAM J. CLINTON.

Pursuant to the section 1025(a) of the Congressional Budget and Impoundment Control Act of 1974, the message, together with the accompanying papers, was referred to the Committee on the Budget and the Committee on Ways and Means and ordered to be printed (H. Doc. 105-116).

¶93.13 PUBLIC WORKS PROJECTS

The SPEAKER laid before the House a communication, which was read as

COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION AND INFRASTRUCTURE, HOUSE OF REP-RESENTATIVES,

Washington, DC, July 25, 1997. Hon. NEWT GINGRICH,

Speaker of the House, U.S. House of Representatives, Washington, DC.

DEAR MR. SPEAKER: Enclosed are copies of resolutions adopted on July 23, 1997 by the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure. Copies of the resolutions are being transmitted to the Department of the Army. With kind personal regards, I am

Sincerely,

BUD SHUSTER, Chairman.

The communication, together with the accompanying papers, was referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

¶93.14 PUBLIC WORKS PROJECTS

The SPEAKER laid before the House a communication, which was read as follows:

COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION AND INFRASTRUCTURE, HOUSE OF REP-RESENTATIVES,

Washington, DC, August 13, 1997. Hon. NEWT GINGRICH,

Speaker, House of Representatives, The Capitol, Washington, DC.

DEAR NEWT: Enclosed please find copies of resolutions approved by the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure on July 23, 1997, in accordance with 40 U.S.C. Sec. 606.

With warm regards, I remain Sincerely.

BUD SHUSTER, Chairman.

The communication, together with the accompanying papers, was referred to the Committee on Appropriations.